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## HARWOOD NAMED BY CREDIT MEN

Elected to Succeed Broadbuss as President of Local Association at Annual Meeting.

Colonel John S. Harwood was last night elected president of the Credit Men's Association at the annual meeting, held in the dining-room of the Business Men's Club. Colonel Harwood succeeds W. B. Broadbuss, who has successfully conducted the affairs of the organization for the past year.

More than two members of the association, which embraces the wholesale, jobbing, manufacturing and banking interests of the city, were present at the meeting, which was presided over by an elaborate supper. Reports of the returning officers showed the association to be in excellent financial shape.

## VACCINATE B COMPANY

Blues Will Begin to Take Treatment Coming Week.

About half of the men of Company B, of the Blues, have volunteered to be vaccinated against typhoid fever, upon the invitation of Captain David M. Leary, Jr., battalion surgeon, who will be ready to begin the work of inoculating his company by the beginning of next week.

## GUERRANT LIABILITIES

Financial Statement of Hotel Filed in United States Court.

In the petition in voluntary bankruptcy of Miss Carrie Spear Lettich, which for some time has operated the Guerrant Hotel, Third and Main Streets, but which is now in the hands of receivers, filed in the United States District Court, liabilities of \$12,564.40 are set forth. Assets, consisting of furniture, valued at \$18,000 and debts due on open accounts, amounting to \$5,431.51.

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## RAILWAY APPEALS IN BIG TAX CASE

Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Goes to United States Supreme Court.

CALL FOR UNITED BOARD

Will Hold Meeting February 15. Taft Not Likely to Get Free License.

For the purpose of obtaining a final review of its claims to exemption from taxation, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company yesterday took an appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States. Clerk H. Stewart Jones, of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, spent the day preparing the papers.

The procedure is entirely different from that in State courts. No preliminary granting of a writ of error is necessary, the appeal being granted yesterday by Judge James Keith, president of the Virginia court. Clerk Joseph P. Brady, of the United States Court here, will issue the writs, and then Clerk Jones will issue the citation in the name of William Howard Taft, President of the United States, which will be signed by Judge Keith.

Bond in the appeal was given yesterday in the sum of \$35,000, with the Virginia Trust Company as security. May Pay Big Sum.

Unless this appeal is successful in the court of last resort, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac will be forced to pay the State accrued franchise taxes with penalties amounting to about \$205,000. This is in addition to whatever may be collected for taxes on personal property and on tracks and other real estate in the cities and counties. The total will not improbably be \$600,000.

The point relied upon in the appeal is that the State of Virginia, in enacting the provision which the Supreme Court has said works a forfeiture of its charter exemption from taxation, has violated the section of the Constitution of the United States which forbids any State enacting a law impairing the obligations of a contract.

## UNITED BOARD TO MEET

Will Plan Work for Coming Season to Uphold Agriculture.

Governor Mann yesterday issued a call for a meeting of the United Agricultural Board, which will be held in his offices at 10 A. M. on February 15.

It is the intention of members of the board at the coming meeting to lay plans for the extension of the work undertaken by the board. The results for the past year, though contracted because the appropriation was not entirely available, have been entirely satisfactory. This is particularly true in the educational line, the corn clubs having resulted in marvelous productions of corn to the acre, and in stimulating interest in agriculture among the youths on the farm.

## NO WARRANT FOR LICENSE

If President Runs Auto in Virginia It Cannot Be Made Pay Tax.

After an investigation yesterday, it seemed apparent to Governor Mann that no authority exists for the issuance of licenses to President W. H. Taft to operate his four automobiles on the roads and streets of Virginia.

The Governor much desires to extend this courtesy if he can find warrant for it in law.

As stated in The Times-Dispatch Wednesday, the application of President Taft, forwarded through Secretary D. D. Norton, has been held up by the Secretary of the Commonwealth for non-payment of the license fee.

A similar condition came up in Maryland, but Governor Crothers instructed the commissioner to issue the license.

The power of the Governor in the automobile law is apparently limited to granting reciprocal arrangements with residents of other States, to run machines in Virginia for two periods of seven days each in one year.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth has no intention of issuing a license unless accompanied by the cash, for it would be charged to him by the State, and he would be compelled to settle.

Address on Rifle. Captain D. D. Porter, assistant inspector of small arms practice, for the First Infantry, reports that he visited Company D, at Charlottesville, and delivered an address on the use of the rifle, with the addition of a practical demonstration. This company, it seems, has an available local range which is hardly surpassed by any other company.

Under the direction of Adjutant-General Sale, hereafter all inspectors of small arms practice must give regular visits to companies to give instruction on the rifle.

Arranging Schedules. Schedules are being arranged for the big series of farmers' institutes, which, as stated in The Times-Dispatch Wednesday, has been planned by the Department of Agriculture. The meetings will begin on February 9, and the last three days of next week will be consumed on the Eastern Shore.

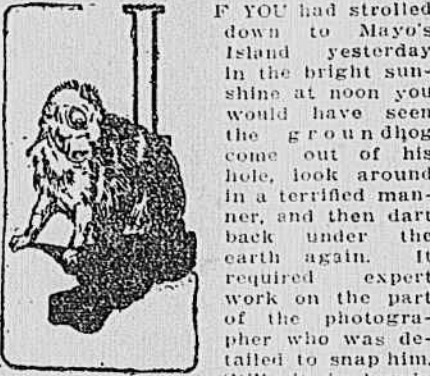
Will Enforce Law. Replying to a letter from Governor Mann, conveying the information of the assault upon R. C. L. Moncreu, the Virginia lawyer, Governor Crothers, of Maryland, replies that he will be glad to see that the law is fully and vigorously enforced in this case.

Judge Designated. The Governor has designated Judge L. C. Bailey, of the Corporation Court of Alexandria, to hold a part of the regular term of the Circuit Court of Prince George county, in cases in which Judge J. B. T. Thornton deems it improper that he should sit.

Inspect Electric Plant. The Council Committee on Electricity will meet at the City Hall to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock and proceed to the inspection of the electric plant, where a thorough inspection will be made, and the power-house in full operation. A number of its officers and others have been invited to accompany the committee on its inspection tour.

## GROUNDHOG RUNS FROM SHADOW

Ducks Under the Earth While Camera Man Was Taking His Picture.



IF YOU had strolled down to May's Island yesterday in the bright sunshine at noon you would have seen the groundhog come out of its hole and look around in a terrified manner, and then dart back under the earth again. It required an expert work on the part of the photographer who was detailed to snap him. Still, it is barely possible that the noise of the shutter on the camera frightened him. If that happened, he disappeared before he saw his shadow, and because of this uncertainty, the question of weather conditions during the next forty days is hard to dope out.

Less than an hour after the groundhog was seen, the camera man, there was enough sun to give the groundhog all the shadow he desired. But despite the rhymes and the rantings of the goosebore prophets, the groundhog—why give him that crazy name?—is something of a liar. This may be true, but there is danger of an arrest for slander; and all groundhogs are not truthful.

This product of 1911—which some day may be served as Smithfield ham—has got to prove that he is not a faker.

Colonel Bill Skiff, of Henricracker, who was coming to May's Island to buy something for Mrs. Skiff, who will go with him to Norfolk to-morrow to see "The Easiest Way," said that all groundhogs, like all men, are liars.

But despite this utterance, he bought a pair of rubber shoes for his wife. This purchase would seem to indicate that the groundhog is on his job.

The Weather Bureau station on Chimborazo Hill declined to issue any statement last night for the next forty days. The question of the groundhog's veracity has been referred officially to Chief Willis L. Moore, in Washington.

## INCREASE IN EXPENSES

Norfolk and Western Statement Shows Smaller Surplus for December.

Showing a decrease in surplus of \$201,558.45, the Norfolk and Western Railway for the month of December, 1910, was issued yesterday. The proportion of expenses to gross earnings grew from 61 per cent to 67 per cent.

The total cost of the road for the month amounted to \$8,935,329.71, an increase of \$118,974.45, or 5 per cent. The total expenses were \$1,954,006.70, an increase of \$248,733.17, or 15 per cent. After deducting the fixed charges and taxes, the surplus for the month is \$6,922,293.01, or 15 per cent.

For the six months ending with the conclusion of the year, the total earnings were \$18,494,621.99, a gain of 7 per cent over the same period of 1909, \$17,285,455.88, showing an increase of 15 per cent. The surplus after accounting for fixed charges and taxes, was \$2,759,164.41, making a profit of 15 per cent. The surplus after deducting fixed charges and taxes, was \$2,759,164.41, making a profit of 15 per cent. The surplus after deducting fixed charges and taxes, was \$2,759,164.41, making a profit of 15 per cent.

More Than \$5,000 Turned Back to People Who Had Bought Tickets to See Play.

The Academy of Music yesterday completed its task of turning \$5,165 to persons who had bought tickets to "The Easiest Way," the attraction for to-night, and which was voluntarily canceled by management with the consent of David Belasco, when it became known that the play would not be given.

Refunding this money in small amounts was rather difficult. A great many women called at the ticket window, presented their slips and asked for their cash without a word. It was a fact, however, that in many instances the slips were sent to the theatre to redeem the slips, the holders not being anxious to go there after all of the publicity.

Somebody wanted to know yesterday if "Camille" could be produced here in view of the attitude of Mayor Harrison. "Camille" is coming week after next, but the French version, and produced by Mme. Sarah Bernhardt. It was said yesterday that a party of big attractions which had been booked for Richmond would be canceled, not because they were too broad, but because of the feeling on the part of producers that the censorship here is too strict.

## WILL ASCERTAIN COST

Committee to Find if Three Stories Can Be Added to City Hall.

The Council Committee on Grounds and Buildings last night referred to a subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. W. B. Powers and Atkinson, the resolution directing the committee to inquire into and report to the Council the advisability and cost of adding three additional stories to the City Hall.

The proposition is an alternate to the companion resolution directing the City Attorney to ascertain at what price the block bounded by Eleventh, Twelfth, Broad and Capitol Streets, now occupied by Ford's Hotel and other buildings, can be obtained by purchase or condemnation. The subcommittee will consult with the Building Inspector, and if it is found to be feasible to add three stories to the building, will secure preliminary sketches and estimates.

Plans for acquiring several lots to be used as playgrounds were debated at length, and referred to the Playground Subcommittee for report.

Cannon's Resignation Accepted. A superintendent of Rev. James Cannon, Jr., of Virginia, was accepted yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the executive committee. It will become effective at the first meeting of the committee following the departure of the latter part of this month in Newport.

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## NEW TROLLEY LINE MUST BUY POWER

Richmond and Henrico Refused Permission to String Its Own Wires.

COST WILL BE ARBITRATED

Street Committee Decides Against Multiplicity of Overhead Wires.

After hearing at length from attorneys for the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company and the Virginia Railway and Power Company, the Council Committee on Streets last night rejected the application of the former to string its own trolley wires on Broad and other streets where the old company will be operating. A statement from President Northrop to the effect that the old company would agree to arbitrate the compensation to be paid for power at the same time and in the same manner as the proposed arbitration of the use of tracks, poles and cross-arms, was made a matter of record.

Samuel L. Kelley and C. V. Meredith appeared for the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company, and were represented by A. B. Guignon and President Northrop. Several witnesses were put on by Mr. Kelley to show that it was practicable to string two trolley wires side by side so that each company might operate its own power.

Strength of Poles. F. W. Scarborough was first examined. He testified that the eighteen poles on Marshall Street between Twenty-first and Twenty-fourth, the seventeen poles on each side of the street between Hainsburg Avenue and Fifth Street, and the fourteen poles on Williamsburg Avenue, Fulton, were of sufficient strength to hold a double overhead construction, but gave it as his opinion that the cross-arms for the seventeen trolley wires on Broad Street between Fifth and Eleventh were too weak to carry the weight they now bear.

He admitted on cross-examination that it would require additional guy wires at curves and crossings. Mr. Scarborough was not familiar with the weight of the insulation, and said he had had little experience in overhead construction.

He knew of some cities where the tracks of one company were used by the cars of another, but of no instance where each company had its own overhead equipment.

Engineer Trafford Testifies. E. W. Trafford testified that he was the consulting engineer for the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company, and that its plans had been prepared under his supervision. He had no special electrical objection to the duplicate system, similar to that used years ago in Richmond, when there were two companies. He had been engineer for the Richmond Passenger and Power Company, said when the Richmond Traction Company put up duplicate trolley wires on certain streets, and later was engineer for the consolidated company and removed the extra wire. He thought that it did not greatly increase the hazard.

Cross-examined, he admitted that it was the city's policy to bury wires underground as much as possible, but said that from his observation it is making poor progress, that some companies had been required to go underground, while by special ordinance the old Traction Company had been allowed to maintain its feed wires overhead in Broad Street. Overhead wires were also allowed in the underground district for are lights.

Not His Business. "Why didn't you notify the committee of these matters?" asked Mr. Ferguson.

"I didn't consider it my business," was the answer. He knew of no technical or physical objections to the single trolley, but thought there might be legal or financial objections.

City Electrician Thompson said it was the policy of the city to bury wires except trolley wires, and that overhead wires should be eliminated as far as possible. He did not recall there having been any trouble when the duplicate system was used, except by the conductors stealing current, many of them not knowing which wire belonged to the city company.

City Engineer Bolling said that all overhead construction should be reduced to the minimum; that there was certainly more liability of trouble from two overhead trolley systems than one, and that a duplicate overhead system was unsightly.

Mr. Kelley argued the case for his company, taking the ground that it was new to the field and should be encouraged; that it was questionable whether its outlay would return anything for many years, and that the curve construction decided to would be necessary in any event. He said that the franchise provided for arbitration as to joint use of tracks, but said nothing as to current, and feared that the old company would interpose objections which would delay operation of the lines.

Agrees to Arbitrate. Captain Guignon, answering, asserted that if the matter were not already covered, the President Northrop would agree to submit the question of charge for current to the same arbitration, and Mr. Northrop agreed at once. Arguing against a double trolley system, Captain Guignon said that it produced a one-sided strain on the trolley poles, which led to accidents; that while it was true that a double system had been used here years ago, when electric construction had not progressed as it had to-day, yet he had inquired and found that there was no city trolley world, where one company ran on the tracks of another where the company owning the tracks did not furnish all of the current for operating the cars.

He spoke of the danger to linemen from having two highly charged wires side by side on the same supports.

Mr. Meredith closed the argument, holding that the Henrico Railway Company would be paying twice for power if it operated its own power house and then paid for current to the old company.

Mr. Lynch suggested the advisability of an arrangement by which the old company could take its cars now running down the Broad Street hill over the viaduct. Several members of the committee agreed that the multiplication of overhead wires was not desirable, and, after Mr. Northrop's statement had been made a matter of record, the vote was unanimous.

## FRIDAY'S SPECIALS AT Gans-Rady Company's

ON SALE TO-DAY ONLY.

- AT \$1.00 Men's Odd Vests, worth up to \$4.00.
- AT \$1.65 Men's Fancy Vests, worth up to \$5.00.
- AT \$2.50 Men's Worsted Trousers, worth up to \$5.00.
- AT \$12.50 Men's High Class Suits, worth up to \$22.50.
- AT 95c Children's Wash Suits, worth up to \$2.50.
- AT \$1.45 Children's Wash Suits, worth up to \$5.00.
- AT 25c Children's Shirtwaists, worth up to \$1.00.
- AT 15c Boys' Balbriggan Underwear, worth 35c.
- AT 25c Boys' Balbriggan Underwear, worth up to 75c.
- AT \$2.95 Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, worth up to \$5.00.
- AT 25c Men's Silk Four-in-Hand Scarfs, worth 50c and 75c.
- AT 89c Men's Negligee-Shirts, worth up to \$1.50.
- AT \$1.00 Men's Soft Hats, worth up to \$3.50.

## HAD OTHER INSURANCE

Writ of Error Allowed in Suit Following Fire Loss.

Construction of the terms of a fire insurance policy is the issue in the case of the Norfolk Fire Insurance Corporation against T. Gilbert Wood, in which a writ of error was allowed yesterday in the Supreme Court. The suit was tried in Notaway county, where a verdict was given against the company for \$5,000, the court overruling a demurrer to the evidence.

The policy, it is alleged, contained a provision that no concurrent insurance was permitted without the consent of the Norfolk company. It seems additional insurance was obtained without procuring this consent, in the amount of \$8,000.

## WANT NEW HEAD NURSE

Medical Staff Objects to Miss Venable's Continued Absences.

The visiting medical staff of the City Home Hospital has recommended the removal of Miss Margaret I. Venable, head nurse of the hospital. The matter is under consideration by members of the Council Committee on Relief of the Poor, who will probably elect a new head nurse at the next meeting. The recommendation which is said to be unanimous on the part of the staff, is said to be based on Miss Venable's frequent absence from duty because of ill health. It was reported from the City Home that the head nurse had not been at the institution in several weeks, her duties having devolved on assistants.

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## Jacobs & Levy,

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## Announcement

The Clearing House Association of Richmond has fixed the business hours of the banks of the city

From 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.

To take effect February 1, 1911 (except on Saturdays, when the hours will be as heretofore, from 9 A. M. to 12 M.). This action of the Clearing House has been approved by the boards of directors of the various banks, and the patrons of the banks are earnestly requested to attend to all of their banking business within the hours named.

WM. H. PALMER, President.

J. W. SINTON, Secretary.